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For: BINDING MEMBER REMOVING APPARATUS, AUTOMATIC  
DOCUMENT FEEDER, SHEET PROCESSING APPARATUS, AND  
IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

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Dear Sir:

**REQUEST FOR STATUS OF PETITION TO CHANGE INVENTORSHIP PURSUANT TO**  
**37 C.F.R. 1.48**

Due to the cancellation of claims, the inventorship of the above application has changed. A PETITION TO CHANGE INVENTORSHIP PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.48 was mailed to the Patent and Trademark Office on March 11, 2004 (filed with the Patent and Trademark Office on March 15, 2004 as noted on the returned post card).

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Respectfully submitted,

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